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PRAYER

To be Uſed at the

Opening the Cathedral Church of St. *Paul*,

DECEMBER 2. 1697.

Being the THANKSGIVING-DAY.

November 25. 1697.

IN Purſuance of His Majeſty's Direction, the following Prayer may be Printed, and publickly us'd on the Thankſgiving-Day, *Decemb.* 2. --97.

Tho. Cantuar.

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PRAYER

To be Uſed

In the Cathedral Church of St. *PAUL*, on the Thankſgiving-Day, in the Communion-Service.

MOST gracious Father, who haſt remembred thy ancient loving kindneſs, and reſtored to us the publick Solemnities of worſhip in this thy Houſe: we offer our devout praiſes and thankſgivings to Thee for this thy Mercy, humbly beſeeching Thee to perfect and eſtabliſh this good work. Thou, O Lord, dwelleſt not in houſes made with hands, Heaven and the Heaven of Heavens cannot contain Thee. But tho' thy Throne is in Heaven, earth is thy footſtool. Vouchſafe therefore,

therefore, we beſeech Thee, thy gracious Preſence in this thy Houſe, to hear our prayers and accept our ſacrifices of praiſe and thankſgivings: And grant that it may never be defiled with idolatrous worſhip or prophaneneſs; but that truth and peace may dwell in this place, that ſincere piety and devotion may be the Glory of it, that they who here miniſter may attend on their Miniſtry; they who teach, on teaching; they who exhort, on exhortation; they who rule, with diligence: that thy Name may be in all things glorified, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*